

MEET 3-1-1

MINUTES OF THE GEOGRAPHY DIVISION STAFF MEETING, 5 AUGUST 1959

PRESENT:

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*1. [REDACTED] ORR Chief, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] is in town for briefings and conversations and the Area is to have access to him Friday morning of this week. [REDACTED] have topics to discuss; [REDACTED] will prepare a brief memorandum for [REDACTED] on the growing importance of [REDACTED]

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*2. Recruitment

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The Division Chief read off the names of twelve Geography Ph D's that are listed in the State External Research, and asked whether anyone could identify them. None of the candidates was known to D/GG personnel, and it was agreed to include these names in the survey list being sent to the Office of Personnel.

3. Operation Alert

The composition of the ORR Team is being re-examined. It is possible the team as advertised will be reduced.

4. Points Covered in the Area Meeting of 4 August 1959

25X1A9a [REDACTED] discussed certain new travel planned for this fall. He will outline the project in greater detail at a meeting in D/GG front office at 1100 on 5 August.

25X1A9a. [REDACTED] reported that despite new production records D/GC concluded the spring quarter with an increased backlog. If the backlog continues to grow there may develop some kind of review board to examine requests for maps.

*5. MR 59-4

The following topics were tentatively suggested for MR-4:

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- a. Administrative changes in East Germany, [REDACTED]
- b. A new Chinese Communist atlas, by [REDACTED] (as mentioned in MR-56).
- c. European cartography as observed by [REDACTED] on his recent trip. [REDACTED] to follow up.
- d. Inland waterways of the USSR, a unique map recently picked up in Moscow.

Branch Chiefs were requested to develop additional proposals as soon as possible.

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*6. The County Fair Exhibit 25X1A9a

██████████ remarked on certain inadequacies of the ORR exhibit. 25X1A9a ██████████ will look into it.

*7. D/GC Policy on Map Legends and Titles

The Division Chief will take up with Chief, Cartography Division, the question of including the word "selected" on maps where roads and railroads shown are highly selective. A case in point is the map titled Africa: Terrain and Transportation.

*8. Modified Format for the GM

The Europe Branch will brief the Division Chief on its suggestion for presentation of a GM-type report on the possibilities for isolating West Berlin in a new format.

9. St/PB Review

25X1A9a ██████████ 25X1A9a noted that henceforth ██████████ will briefly review all D/GC as well as ERA studies. Reports containing statistical tables must be checked out by the St/PB statistical editor.

10. Miscellaneous 25X1A9a

- a. ██████████ presented certain clarification of the DD/P organization.
- b. ██████████ reported on the progress of D/GC support for OTR's ELINT course.